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MEMORANDUM FOR: Executive Director-Comptroller

SUBJECT: Request for Increased Personnel Ceiling,
Office of Special Activities, DD/S&T

REFERENCE: A. [] Subject as above,
dated 6 October 1964

B. Buckslip to DD/S&T from Ex. Dir.,
dated 15 October 1964

1. The purpose of this memorandum is to establish coherency among the referenced memorandum, your referenced buckslip of 15 October and supplemental information on the requested OSA personnel increase submitted to your office by me on Friday, 16 October. That supplemental information lists all positions involved in the total OSA increase of [] identifies which positions are military and CIA civilian careerists, and further identifies the particular area to which the new individuals would be assigned. The information also cross references the requested [] with the "TDY proposal", submitted by Mr. Cunningham, on his own initiative, to General Carter on Friday, 9 October.

2. With reference to other inquiries contained on your referenced buckslip relative to "policy decisions and the operational factors", I believe we discussed these briefly on the morning of 17 October. The basic policy decisions involved are believed to be better known by the Office of the Director than they are by OSA. They involve basically a directive to attain an operational capability to operate successfully four OXCART vehicles at specified operational characteristics as of 3 November over Cuba. The assignment of this mission, however, has not relieved OSA of its basic responsibility for ensuring the earliest date on OXCART capability to perform its basic mission at design capability.

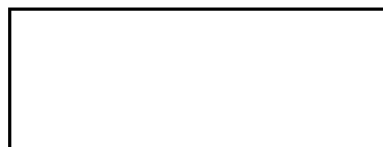
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3. Colonel Ledford currently is accompanying General Carter on a TDY visit to the Far East and will not return to duty here until 28 October. In the interim, other qualified operational officers of OSA can be made available for any briefing you desire. Reference A is again resubmitted to you as an attachment to this memorandum.



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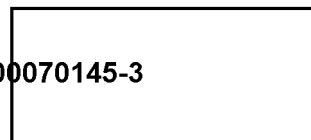
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